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(57) **Abstract:** A viscous or gelous pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of constipation by rectal administration comprises a polar lipid component, a polyvalent alcohol component, water, and optionally an oily triglyceride. Also disclosed is a compressible device filled with a single dose of the composition and a method for its manufacture; a method of treating constipation, comprising rectal administration of a constipation-dissolving amount of the composition; and a method of manufacture of a medicament for treating constipation comprising the composition of the invention.